

Troopers Arrest Ocean City, MD Woman for Burglaries-Frankford

Frankford- The Delaware State Police have arrested an Ocean City, Maryland woman for burglarizing a residence on two separate occasion.

On August 15, 2019 at approximately 7:11 p.m., Troopers were dispatched to a residence in the area of Star Lane and Peppers Corner Road, Frankford for a burglary in progress. Upon arrival, Troopers met with the homeowner who was currently holding the suspect at gunpoint and awaiting police arrival. The suspect, 42-year-old **Maureen E. Gray** had sustained minor injuries during a struggle with the residents and was transported to the Beebe Medical Center where she was treated and released. The residents were not injured.

Further investigation revealed that Gray had entered the residence through an unsecured front door while two occupants were inside. A female resident became startled when she observed Gray standing in the bathroom behind the door. The female immediately screamed for her boyfriend who obtained a rifle. A scuffle ensued between the residents and property was damaged as Gray attempted to flee.

The same residence was burglarized on August 9, 2019 at approximately 10:44 p.m. The residents were not home during this incident and had a house-sitter watching over their residence. The house-sitter heard an exterior pole building alarm going off at the residence and when she looked outside, she observed a window air-conditioner unit, and adjacent screen on the ground. She then observed a female suspect, Gray, on the property and advised her to leave. It was later discovered that property on the front porch had been taken.

Upon Gray's release from the hospital she was transported back to Troop 4 where she was charged with the following:

- Burglary Second Degree (2 counts)
- Theft (3 counts)
- Reckless Endangering
- Criminal Mischief (2 counts)
- Attempted Theft

Gray was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and committed to the Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution on \$14,700.00 cash only bond.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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